

STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
RESOLUTION NO. 2001 - 082

THE SAN DIEGO REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD (SDRWQCB) IS REQUESTING FUNDING FOR AN INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE THE PRESENCE AND SOURCE (S) OF PATHOGENIC VIRUSES AND BACTERIA IN THE RECREATIONAL WATERS OF MISSION BAY AND ASSOCIATED THREAT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$975,300 FROM THE STATE WATER POLLUTION CLEAN UP AND ABATEMENT ACCOUNT (CAA)

WHEREAS:

1. There is documentation of unsafe levels of bacterial contamination in Mission Bay from various known and unknown sources.
2. Mission Bay is a major recreational water body visited by millions of people each year.
3. Recreational users of the water of Mission Bay can be exposed to viruses and pathogenic bacteria that threaten human health.
4. Mission Bay is currently on the 303(d) list for impaired water bodies and does not meet water quality standards for swimming and fishing.
5. The SDRWQCB and the City of San Diego are committed to work in partnership to address bacterial contamination in Mission Bay and to develop the most effective and efficient measures to abate and control contamination.
6. The SWRCB and the nine Regional Boards are responsible for ensuring that the surface waters of the State are safe for drinking, fishing, swimming and supporting healthy ecosystems and other beneficial uses (see Goal #2 in draft Strategic Plan).

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

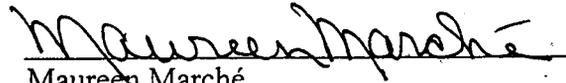
The State Water Resources Control Board

Approves the SDRWQCB request for \$975,300 to fund the identification of the presence and source(s) of pathogenic viruses and bacteria in the recreational waters of Mission Bay and associated threats to human health.

2 Approves funding this project through April, 2003.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, Clerk to the Board, does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the State Water Resources Control Board held on July 19, 2001.


Maureen Marché
Clerk to the Board